



STATE MINING AND GEOLOGY BOARD

Minerals and Geologic Resources Committee

Erin Garner, Chair; Seena Hoose; Kathy Lund

EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT



For Meeting Date: July 10, 2008

Agenda Item No. 2: Consideration of the State Mining and Geology Board Information Report No. IR 2008-05.

INTRODUCTION: The State Mining and Geology Board (SMGB) conducts its business in public, and often considers policy topics of statewide interest. On occasion, the SMGB requests analysis from its Executive Officer prior to considering policy decisions. In the past, the SMGB's Executive Officer or his staff, has presented such analysis on topics of statewide interest to the SMGB in public meetings. Interest in these reports from industry, professional organizations, regulators, and other interested parties and stakeholders has been high, and they have approached the SMGB for copies of these reports in a user-friendly format. The Minerals and Geologic Committee is considering approving a new information report for publication on the SMGB's website.

BACKGROUND: On occasion, the SMGB requests from its staff comprehensive or focused analysis for topics of interest to the SMGB, prior to making policy decisions. These reports commonly take the form of an Executive Officer's report, accompanied by a power point presentation, when appropriate. However, only the Executive Officer's report is regularly provided on the SMGB's website.

The SMGB has been routinely approached by industry, professional organizations, regulators, and other interested parties and stakeholders, requesting copies of the power point presentations. In order to maintain the context of the information and presentation, information reports being considered by the Committee for publication on the SMGB's website, have been prepared. These information reports have been produced by simply embedding select images from the power point presentation into the text of the Executive Officer's report. Minimal text changes have been made.

One new Information Reports have recently been prepared. Information Report 2007-03 is titled "A Report on the Mineral Land Classification and Designation Program under the California Surface Mining and Reclamation Act of 1975". This information was presented, in part, at the SMGB's Minerals and Geologic Resources Committee meeting held on May 10, 2007, September 13, 2007, and December 13, 2007. This report does not set forth policy, but rather presents information that the SMGB considers in setting policy.



Executive Officer's Report

CONSIDERATION BEFORE THE COMMITTEE: Upon review and discussion, the Committee may authorize the Executive Officer to make Information Report No. 2008-05 available on the SMGB's web site.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER RECOMMENDATION: The Executive Officer offers the following motion for the Committee's consideration.

Motion to approve publication of Information Report 2008-05 on the SMGB's website:

Mr. Chairman, in light of the information before the Mineral and Geologic Resources Committee today, I move that the Committee approve publication of the SMGB's Information Report 2008-05, for publication, and direct the Executive Officer to make this report available on the SMGB's website.

Respectfully submitted:

Stephen M. Testa
Executive Officer

